Holiday Tips

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Fresh Inspirations...

Breakfast Egg Casserole Muffins

Ingredients

- 7 slices Sourdough Bread, cubed 1” squares
- 1-1/2 lbs. Ground Sweet Italian Sausage
- 1 Red Pepper, julienned
- 1 Green Pepper, julienned
- 1 Red Onion, julienned
- 1 Clove Garlic, minced
- 8 Eggs
- 6 fl. oz. Whole Milk
- 2 tsp. All Purpose Seasoning
- 1 tbsp. Herb Rub
- 1/3 bunch Fresh Italian Parsley, chopped
- Black Ground Pepper to taste
- 1/2 cup Asiago Cheese, shredded
- 1/2 cup Sharp Cheddar Cheese, shredded

Directions

Preheat oven to 375°F. In a large sauté pan, add a small amount of oil and cook the ground sausage. Use the rendered fat to sauté the peppers, onions and garlic. Mix the eggs, milk, seasoning, parsley and black pepper in a large bowl. In a 9x13 casserole pan, spray well with non-stick spray and layer as follows: bread, cooked sausage, cooked peppers and onions, cheese and egg mixture. Allow the egg mixture to soak into the bread, then spray a medium-sized muffin pan with non-stick spray and place about 1/2 cup in each muffin tin hole. Tent with foil and bake at 375°F for about 30 minutes, uncover and finish until center is fully cooked. Muffins should have a nice golden color when finished. Top with additional cheese if desired.

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